

**Families First in Numbers**  
**Updated Information from March 2006**

Current number of Assistance Groups: 69,693

Current number of adults: 53,199

Current number of children: 132,629

Assistance Groups prior to Families First (August 1996): 91,499

Current number of child only cases: 17,908

Closures in March:

Total closures: 4,340

Closures for 18 month time limits: 158

Closures for sanctions: 943

Work-related sanctions: 906

Other sanctions: 37

Closures for employment: 743

Time limit closures since Families First started: 13,133

Current number of Assistance Groups with a working adult: 11,835

Average monthly wage of employed participants: \$703.35

Average monthly cash benefit for participating families: \$168.28

Re-entry rate of Families First participants: 32.8% of cases that close re-enter the program (after an absence of more than two months) at some point during the next 55 months.

The number of families served by the program between 1996 and now exceeds 250,000.